



INWOOD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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ICS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of ICS is to provide an atmosphere in which each unique child of God is challenged both academically and Biblically to live as a Christian, serving Him in all areas of life.

2025-2026 Theme

“Believe, Grow,
Serve”

Aug./Sept.

Jeremiah
29:11-13
(Believe)

AFFIRMATIVE STATEMENT

The Inwood Christian School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities, generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Dear Parents,

HEARTS & HANDS MEETING: Thank you to all of the mothers that attended the Hearts & Hands meeting on Monday evening. The Committee assignments and the minutes from the meeting are attached to the newsletter.

COOKIE BAKING: If you have not turned in your Cookie Baking sign up sheet, please do so as soon as possible. Due to the rise in cost of groceries, the cookie price will increase to \$7.00/dozen starting in September.

SCHOOL PICTURES TO BE TAKEN: School pictures will be taken by Photography by Hank on **Tuesday, September 9**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. An envelope showing the picture packages available is being sent home with each student today. Before a student can have his/her picture taken, he/she needs to have a pay envelope filled out and returned. These envelopes need to be returned to each student's teacher by **next Thursday, September 4**. Please note that a class picture is included in all packages. If you do not purchase a package, class pictures may be purchased for \$11.00.

FREE/REDUCED HOT LUNCH: If you have not turned in your Free/Reduced Hot Lunch Form please do so as soon as possible. If you need a copy of the form, please contact the school office.

SEE YOU AT THE POLE: **Wednesday, September 24**, at 8:30 a.m., the whole school will be participating in the annual “See You At The Pole” event celebrating our freedom to pray. We invite and encourage everyone to join us as the 7th & 8th grade students lead us in prayer.

KIDS BANK: ICS has the great opportunity of once again partnering with Security Savings Bank to help teach our school about financial literacy. The students will have the opportunity to open up a real bank account (or link their current bank account) and deposit money in it through the school. SSB will come once a week to have students input the amount they are depositing and see their new balance. There are multiple contests that go along with the number of deposits you make throughout the year. This is a great opportunity for students to learn more about banking and get a savings account started. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Stearns (amystearns@inwoodchristian.com) or Samantha Antrim (SSB) (samantha.antrim@bankwithssb.com). All students new to ICS will be coming home with a packet, if any other students would like to join, please contact the school office. Please remember this is completely optional.

SCRIP ORDERS: Scrip orders can be dropped off at the school, Todd's True Value or mailbox #139 at the Inwood Christian Reformed Church by Thursday of every week. If you have any questions regarding the Scrip program please contact Leah Vande Vegte (605-929-5789).

NICSTO FORMS: All NICSTO forms need to be turned into the office by **Thursday, September 4**. If you need another copy of the form, please contact the school office.

TEACHER WEB PAGES: Be sure to check the web pages of your students' teachers for important information from them. As the year goes on, the teachers will update with assignments and information that pertains just to their class. You can find each teacher's web page by going to the ICS website (www.inwoodchristian.com), click on Academics then click on the teacher's web page you wish to see.

PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK: The Parent/Student Handbook was given to each family at Open House. Take the time to acquaint yourself with the policies of ICS. After reading the Handbook, **please complete the page showing you read the Parent/Student Handbook and return it to the school office by September 4.**

REMINDER: If your student(s) will be going somewhere other than their normal destination after school, the school needs a note (or at least a phone call) from parents telling us this information by 3:00 p.m. If we do not receive a note or phone call, your student(s) will be sent to their normal destination.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 1 -	NO SCHOOL, Labor Day
Sept. 2 -	Carpool p.m.
Sept. 3 -	Chapel
Sept. 8 -	School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 9 -	School pictures taken, 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 19 -	11:40 a.m. dismissal, Staff Development
Sept. 24 -	See you at the Pole, 8:30 a.m.
Oct. 2 & 3 -	Heartland Teachers Convention - No School

THEME FOR AUGUST/SEPTEMBER:

**"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.
Then you will call on me and come and pray to me,
and I will listen to you.
You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."
JEREMIAH 29:11-13 (BELIEVE)**

HEARTS & HANDS AGENDA

August 25, 2025

7:00 pm

President – Abbi Davelaar Vice President – Jacklyn Nieuwendorp
Treasurer - Briany Lems Secretary – Ashley Aema

1. Opening Devotions and Welcome – Abbi Davelaar
2. Reading of Minutes from February 3, 2025 – Ashley A
3. Counting of Members–26 present
4. Treasurer's Report – Leah/Brittany-term will now go according to the fiscal year
 - . a. Proposed Annual Expenses
 - . b. Vote for Annual Expenditures-all approved
5. Old Business/Fundraising/Committee Updates
 - . a. Scrip- Leah VV
 - . b. Cookies – Abbey VB–changing to \$7/doz in Sept., great fundraiser, keep up the good work
 - . c. Easter Bake Sale- Kristy S, Kadee VB
 - . d. Spring Program Social- Kelsey B, Denise VDS
 - . e. New Teacher Allowance - Leah VV
 - o -we now have a full contact list for all parents for all school needs
6. New Business
 - . a. Project Requests from Teachers
 - . b. Fundraisers for 2025/2026 School Year
 - . c. Intentional Prayer Support Committee-discussed supporting our teachers and staff with prayer in various ways
 - . d. Siouxnami Summer Outing- was passed, will be doing next summer to try it out \$700 fee for the outing
7. Vote on Teacher Projects, 1 additional Fundraiser, and Siouxnami Summer Outing
8. Sign up for Committees-all filled, thanks!
9. Concept & Minutes read by Ashley A
10. Closing Prayer – Brittany L

2025-2026 Hearts & Hands Officers/Committees

Officers:

President – Abbi Davelaar
Vice-President – Jacklyn Nieuwendorp
Secretary – Ashley Attema
Treasurer – Brittany Lems

Committees:

Cookie Baking – Abbey VB & Linda Meyer
Pizza Sales – Amy S & Nikki VB
Veteran’s Day Helper – Cristina H
Library Committee – Abbi D & Jessica B
Christmas Bake Sale – Erin VN & Danielle W
Easter Bake Sale – Shirley VE & Kadee VB
Mentor Moms 25-26 – Jen R & Brittany L
Mentor Moms 26-27 – Jen R & Lindsey L
Program Socials – Kelsey B & LaRae G
Teacher Appreciation – Ashley A & Julie L
Parades – Elizabeth L & Leah J
Apparel – Jessica VG & Jen R
Intentional Prayer Support – Brandon W, Denise VDS, Jessica B
Siouxnamo Summer Party – Leah VV

Room Mothers:

Kindergarten – Holly Scholten & Kaylee Schroder
1st and 2nd – Sheri Henrichs & Kadee Van Beek
3rd and 4th – Shanna Fluit & Kristi Schaefer
5th and 6th – Tanya Van De Stroet & Randi Grevengoed
7th and 8th – Abbey Van Beek & Danielle Williams